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Small and Disadvantaged
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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION


SUBJECT: Minority Institutions Technology Support Services
Contract

1. The Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) created a contract vehicle entitled Minority Institutions Technology Support Services (MITSS) to assist all Department of Defense organizations in awarding information technology contracts to Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions (HBCUs/MIs). The MITSS contract provides an effective and highly efficient means of increasing opportunities for HBCUs/MIs participation in the information technology area.

2. The MITSS contract enables our agency to receive direct 100% credit for our Agency's requirements awarded to participating HBCUs/MIs under this vehicle. The MITSS initiative is a collaborative effort between our agency and a consortium of eleven fully accredited highly regarded HBCUs/MIs with programs that will support our Agency's endeavors. Several DISA Directorates have utilized the MITSS contract to include the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization which has several universities actively involved in our Agency's Mentor-Protégé Program. I have attached a brochure on the participating universities and the information technology services available.

3. Please make every effort to utilize the MITSS contract vehicle in our Agency's efforts to increase awards to HBCUs/MIs. This will help our Agency in achieving our small business goal of 86.7% for HBCUs/MIs. For additional information, contact Mr. Bervin Elliott, MITSS Program Manager, at (703) 681-2406 to discuss specific program requirements.

1 Enclosure:
HBCU/MI Brochure


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